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LETTER REGARDING OWNERSHIP

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Based on a telephone conversation with Examiner Beverly Flanagan on May 18, 2005, the following statement is submitted:

The above-identified application and U.S. Patent No. 6,830,578 were commonly owned by NeoSurg Technologies, Inc. as of the time of the invention of the above-identified application.

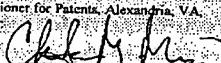
According to Examiner Flanagan's comments on May 18, 2005, the submission of the above-identified statement should put the case in condition for allowance, and early allowance of the application is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that this document and its attachments are being faxed to Facsimile: 703-672-9306, attention Examiner, Beverly M. Flanagan, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450, on the date below.

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